

be prompted in the form of crude and ignorant socialist proposals—propounded either by people who never think intelligently and consecutively, or by those "whose quest is gain without service, at another's expense and loss—naturally tends to a depreciation of prices, as indicating a decline of national good faith, the predominance of unnational and exclusive ends, or the pandering to unrighteous clamour.

NOTE.

The aggregate "Coal and Coke Bill" of the Railways in the United Kingdom amounted, in 1907, to upwards of 6J millions sterling.